IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Winfried Edelmann et al.

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For: METHODS FOR IDENTIFYING

COMPOUNDS WHICH MODULATE THE ACTIVITY OF MSH5 (AS AMENDED)

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REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants request a three-month extension of time, pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), in which to respond to the Office Action dated April 22, 2002 (Paper No. 8) for the above-identified application.

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